

REMARKS


Reconsideration is requested with respect to the rejection of claim 26. It calls for controlling a rate of the encoding using quantization data and picture data. For example, referring to Figure 2 of the present application, the decoding separates out motion vectors and quantization data. That quantization data then goes to the encoder for rate control.

The rejection seems to rely on the reference to Moroney and, particularly, Figure 2. But Moroney never even suggests sending the quantization data from the decoder to the encoder. There is no indication that any quantization data at all ever goes to the encoder. The only thing that is shown is the stream out of 130 and the line 220. The office action refers to the line 220, but that clearly contains the motion vectors, not the quantization data.

Therefore, there seems to be no basis for the rejection and reconsideration would be appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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